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Ref: 4152-23313

Honorable James H. Welsh
Commissioner of Conservation
Post Office Box 94275
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Re: Hearing Application
MT-4 Sand, Reservoir A
MT-4 Sand, Reservoir D
NS-1 Sand, Reservoir A
MT-1-NS-1 Zone, Reservoir A
CHURCH POINT FIELD
Acadia Parish, Louisiana
Applicant: Nearburg Producing Company

Dear Mr. Commissioner:

In accordance with the Rules of Procedure for Conducting Hearings Before the Commissioner of Conservation of the State of Louisiana, application is hereby made on behalf of **Nearburg Producing Company** the calling of a public hearing, after legal notice, to consider evidence relative to the issuance of an order pertaining to the following matters relating to the MT-4 Sand, Reservoirs A and D; NS-1 Sand, Reservoir A and MT-1-NS-1 Zone, Reservoir A, Church Point Field, Acadia Parish, Louisiana.

1. To dissolve the existing drilling and production unit created as the MT-4 RA SUA, by Office of Conservation Order No. 297-A-1, effective December 15, 1955, the existing drilling and production unit created as the MT-4 RD SUA, by Office of Conservation Order No. 297-A-8, effective September 19, 1995, the existing drilling and production unit created as the NS-1 RA SUA, by Office of Conservation Order No. 297-H-1, effective August 23, 1988, and to simultaneously create a revised single drilling and production unit of approximately 83 acres for the MT-1-NS-1 Zone, Reservoir A, Church Point Field, Acadia Parish, Louisiana, all as shown more particularly on the attached plat;
2. To establish rules and regulations governing the exploration for and production of gas and condensate from the said sand unit;
3. To force pool and integrate all separately owned tracts, mineral leases and other property interests within the unit so created, with each tract sharing in unit production on a surface acreage basis of participation;
4. To designate a unit operator and a unit well for the unit created herein;
5. To consider such other matters relating to the subject reservoir as may be appropriate and justified by the evidence presented at the public hearing.

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The MT-1-NS-1 Zone, Reservoir A, in the Church Point Field, Acadia Parish, Louisiana is hereby defined as being that gas and condensate bearing zone encountered between the depths of 10,085 feet and 10,982 feet (electrical log measurements) (10,034'-10,825' TVD) in the Nearburg Producing Company-Quibodeaux No. 1 Well, located in Section 1, Township 8 South, Range 2 East, Acadia Parish, Louisiana.

In compliance with the Rules of Procedure for Conducting Hearings Before the Commissioner of Conservation of the State of Louisiana, a pre-application conference was held in Lafayette, Louisiana on December 9, 2005. Attached hereto and made a part hereof is a list of the names and addresses of the parties who were in attendance at that conference.

The conference was opened by Mr. William F. Bailey. Mr. Bill McAlister of Leon Comeaux & Associates presented the plan of applicant. Questions were asked and answered. Mr. David Sturlese, on behalf of Sonnier, et al presented a counterplan of ±160 acres. Subsequent to the conference, the parties reconciled differences and agreed to a plan of 93 acres which is the plan attached hereto. It is anticipated that there will be no opposition at the public hearing on this matter.

Attached hereto and made a part hereof is a revised plat outlining the MT-1-NS-1 RA SUA, Acadia Parish, Louisiana, and a list of the names and addresses of the interested owners, represented parties and interested parties to whom this notice is being sent. It is hereby certified that a reasonable effort was made to ascertain the names and addresses of all interested owners, represented parties and interested parties.

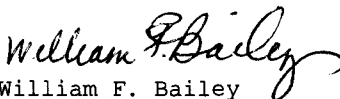
A copy of the list of the names and addresses of the interested owners, represented parties and interested parties is not being mailed to those parties along with this hearing application. Should any such party desire a copy of this list, however, we will be glad to provide one upon request.

Upon receipt of the legal notice in the captioned matter, the notice will be posted, published and mailed in accordance with Rule 7 of the Rules of Procedure.

Any pertinent data relating to this matter can be obtained at the cost of the requesting party, from Mr. Bill McAlister, Leon Comeaux & Associates, Inc., P. O. Box 53922, Lafayette, Louisiana, 70505, telephone number (337) 233-9839.

Finally, there is enclosed herewith our check on behalf of the applicant in the amount of \$3,020.00, made payable to the Office of Conservation, representing the required hearing application fee.

Very truly yours,


William F. Bailey

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Attachments
cc: Mr. Richard Hudson
District Manager, Office of Conservation

All Interested Owners, Represented Parties and Interested Parties

